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SUBJ: EC-GOR CONTACTS

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1. ITALIAN COMMERCIAL ATTACHE MORETTI, IN A DISCUSSION WITH EMBOFF REVEALED ADDITIONAL DETAILS ABOUT RECENT EC (KLEIN) VISIT TO BUCHAREST. SUMMARY OF HIS REMARKS FOLLOWS.

2. EC WILL NOT GRANT GOR ANY SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP WITH EC. KLEIN PROPOSED COMMERCIAL AGREEMENT OF SORT WHICH THE COMMON COMMERCIAL POLICY PROHIBITS IN BILATERAL RELATIONS OF EC-MEMBERS. THE AGREEMENT, AS ENVISIONED BY EC, WOULD BREAK NO NEW ECONOMIC GROUND. IT WOULD BE RATHER SHORT, STANDARD-FORM COMMERCIAL AGREEMENT INCLUDING MFN AND MARKET DISRUPTION CLAUSES. PATAN, IN HIS MEETING WITH KLEIN, LAID HEAVY STRESS ON GOR DESIRE TO CONTINUE TO CONCLUDE LONG-TERM ECONOMIC COOPERATION AGREEMENTS BILATERALLY WITH EC MEMBER COUNTRIES AS IT JUST DID WITH UK.

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3. EC EXPECTS RESPONSE FROM GOR ON PROPOSED AGREEMENT SOON AFTER CEMA SUMMIT, WHICH WILL START NOV 15.

PATAN TOLD KLEIN THAT GOR IS SEEKING CEMA (READ USSR)
APPROVAL OF A GOR-EC COMMERCIAL AGREEMENT AND IS RELUCTANT
TO RESPOND TO EC UNTIL IT GETS IT. GOR MAY, CONSEQUENTLY,
HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL FURTHER DEVELOPMENT IN EC-CEMA DIALOGUE.

4. COMMENT: SINCE ITALY CURRENTLY CHAIRS EC, KLEIN MET
SEPARATELY WITH MORETTI, IN ADDITION TO BRIEFING ALL EC
EMBASSIES IN BUCHAREST. THEREFORE, HIS REMARKS ABOUT THE
CONTENT OF THE AGREEMENT AND THE GOR'S FELT NEED FOR PRIOR
CEMA APPROVAL SHOULD BE GIVEN SPECIAL WEIGHT. THIS IS
INTERESTING IN LIGHT OF THE BOLD, PUBLIC ASSERTION (PATAN
ARTICLE IN SEPTEMBER 18 LUMEA) THAT EACH CEMA MEMBER COUNTRY
HAS THE RIGHT TO MAINTAIN DIRECT OFFICIAL CONTACTS WITH THE
EC AND TO CONCLUDE UNDERSTANDINGS, AGREEMENTS, AND TREATIES
WITH IT.
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